

AREA FORUM SOUTH - NOTES

Thursday 4 July 2013 at Fillongley Village Hall

Present: Councillor Hayfield (Chair), Ferro, Fowler, Fox, Sherratt, Turley

In Attendance: PC Ellen Beaty (Beat Manager), PCSO Phillip McGuinness
Steve Maxey – North Warwickshire Borough Council
Andy McDonald, Jayney Faulkner-Mills and Lizzie Price –
Warwickshire County Council
Over 20 others.

1 **Welcome**

Cllr Colin Hayfield welcomed all present to the meeting.

2 **Apologies for absence and Minutes**

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Smith and Watkins.

Minutes of the meeting of the Area Forum South, held on 6 December 2012 – it was noted that Cllr Fox had sent apologies which had not been recorded. The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. There were no issues to be updated.

3 **Safer Neighbourhoods Update**

PC Ellen Beaty, Warwickshire Police presented a summary of the progress and actions that had been undertaken since the last meeting of the Forum.

Following discussion the priorities identified were:

- Speeding along Common Lane, Corley, during rush hour and other times throughout the day
- Obstruction of footpath outside CW Youngs, Common Lane, Corley.
- Anti-social behaviour – Co-op Gun Hill, Arley

Other issues discussed included:

- Police time in Coleshill and rural parishes
- Impact of Street-lighting on crime level
- Plans to alter crossroads at Anstey – Ellen Beaty to check
- Speeding motorcycles on A446 and B4114 – can't be a policing priority but could be dealt with through other channels
- Community Speedwatch in Fillongley – if Coleshill wanted to replicate would need 6 volunteers

4 **Mobile Library Review Consultation**

Consultation until 31 July – more details on-line at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mobilelibraries

5 **Daw Mill Colliery**

Steve Maxey gave an update on the latest information advising that the workforce was on “garden leave” pending confirmation that the colliery will not re-open. A Jobs Fair to help support workers had been arranged for 18 July from 10.00am at Atherstone Memorial Hall. A discussion followed regarding the possible future use of the site.

6 **Outside Bodies Report**

It was agreed that Ben Henry be appointed as representative on Coleshill Grammar School Endowment Foundation.

7 **You Said, We Did!**

It was reported that only one issue had been brought forward from the last meeting relating to the Street-lighting Switch Off. A report was awaiting consideration by WCC Cabinet but up to date information available on-line: www.warwickshire.gov.uk/partnightlighting

8 **Questions & Issues from the Parishes**

- Fillongley:- flooding affecting 16 houses continues to be a problem. Agreed to put an update on the agenda next time forum is held in Fillongley
- Fillongley/Maxstoke:- concerns regarding volume of lorry traffic to/from Blabers Hall Farm and the amount of litter dropped by drivers near Manor Farm. Also concerns about lorry drivers using mobile phones.
- Corley:- concerns re Abbey Farm, Common Lane burning toxic materials – Steve Maxey to investigate planning permission for plastic recycling
- Packington:- speeding, doesn't warrant speed limit
- Coleshill:- Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire out for public consultation. Parking remains an issue.

9 **Items for Next Meeting**

No specific suggestions were made

10 **Next Meeting**

Tuesday 17 September – it was agreed that the venue should be changed to St. Michaels Church Hall, New Arley